

## **HASTY SEARCH COMPETITION**

### **PROVIDED BY KYEM:**

Search area  
Lost subject  
Forms

### **PROVIDED BY PARTICIPANTS:**

Searchers (5 members to a team)  
Individual equipment (canteen or bottle with water, whistle, small first aid kit at minimum)  
Team equipment  
Communications equipment

### **OBJECTIVES**

Use proper hasty search procedures  
Clue awareness  
Team work  
Effectiveness of team leader  
Proper documentation of search effort

### **SCENARIO**

An adult subject is missing. The team shall attend a briefing by the Search Manager prior to searching. Searchers shall be provided with uniform information about the lost subject at briefing.

The team shall hasty search an area approximately 1/2 mile by 1/2 mile which contains varying terrain and may contain outlying structures or buildings. The interior of a building *SHALL NOT* be searched.

### **HOW YOU WILL BE JUDGED**

Judging is based on time to locate the lost subject, team work, use of proper search procedures, number of clues located, debriefing, and completing required forms. Time limit is 60 minutes.

The team shall not search any area more than once during their search.

Points may be awarded regardless of whether the lost subject is found or not.

## **OBJECTIVE**

To safely construct and utilize a raise (ascent) system and a lowering (descent) system for moving a patient up a low angle in a Stokes or similar litter in a manner that provides safety for the patient, for the rescuers, and integrity for the system. The system utilized shall include a means of precluding the litter from uncontrolled descent at any time.

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Since many specific systems are appropriate for low angle rescues, no specific system is required to be utilized, except that any system used shall provide adequate safety for the patient and for the rescuers.

The raise system may, but is not required to, utilize a mechanical advantage system. Any system employed shall be safely set up and utilized.

The system employed SHALL NOT utilize a Litter Wheel or similar device, the litter shall be carried up slope and down slope by team members.

The system employed SHALL NOT utilize a vehicle as an anchor and shall not utilize a vehicle to assist the raising or lowering process.

The system employed SHALL NOT utilize a winch of any type, but may utilize other recognized mechanical advantage systems.

Among the specific items which shall be judged are: Team leader is in charge, team follows the team leader's instructions, the anchor chosen is strong enough to safely do the exercise, the raise (ascent) system is properly constructed, the lowering (descent) system is properly constructed, any system used for raising and lowering is properly operated, the patient is properly loaded into the litter, the litter is properly lifted, carried, and lowered, any system chosen shall include a positive means of preventing uncontrolled descent, time shall be used only in the event of a tie.

Prior to the team actually lifting the litter a judge shall inspect and approve or disapprove of the anchor, rigging, system used, safety of the system, and the patient packaging in the litter. At any point in the competition a judge shall stop the competition to prevent unsafe practices or injury to the rescuers or the patient.